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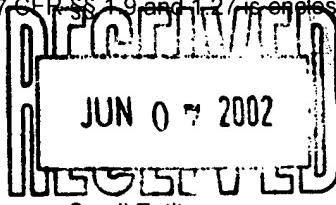
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in dup.); Information Disclosure Statement; PTO 1449 Form; copies of cited references A1-A2; and return post card.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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